

Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 1-5, 7-20, and 24-51 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Gehani et al. U.S. Patent 5,765,171.

Claim 6 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gerhani and further in view of Mosher et al., U.S. Patent 6,785,696.

Claims 21-23 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Gerhani and further in view of Fiske U.S. Patent 6,324,692. The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections.

The independent claims have been amended to indicate that based on the type of delta a one-phase or two-phase update is done. This is not shown, suggested, or given a motivation for in the cited prior art.

For the above discussed reasons, claims 1-51 are believed to be allowable and such is respectfully requested.

In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now pending in the subject patent application should be allowable, and a Notice of Allowance is requested. The Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned if he can assist in any way in expediting issuance of a patent.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1325 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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